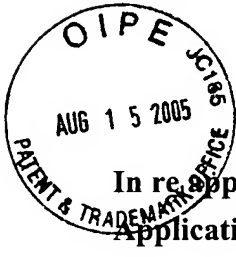


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In re, application of: Hunter *et al.*

Application No. 10/716,379

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For: NIMA INTERACTING PROTEINS

Examiner: Lei Yao, Ph.D.

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In connection with the above-referenced application, enclosed are:

- ☒ An Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement;
- ☒ A self-addressed, stamped return postcard; and
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 in payment of fees associated with this filing, such fees are calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
For	No. after amendment	No. paid for previously	Present Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	14	- 20*	= 0	\$50.00	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claims	1	- 3**	= 0	\$200.00	\$ 0.00
Mult. Dep. Claims Fee (if not previously paid)				\$360.00	
One-month Extension of Time				\$120.00	
Two-month Extension of Time				\$450.00	
Three-month Extension of Time				\$1,020.00	\$1,020.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$1,020.00

* greater of twenty or number for which fee has been paid.

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Applicants petition for an extension of time for the number of months indicated above. If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.

Please charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with this submission (including any additional extensions of time or excess claim/page fees), or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Please return the enclosed postcard to confirm that the items listed above have been received.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement ("Amendment") is filed in answer to the non-final Office action, dated April 15, 2005. A one-month period for response was set by the Office action. Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time for response; thus, this Response is timely filed on or before August 15, 2005. A three-month extension fee accompanies this filing. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with this filing to the deposit account referenced on the accompanying transmittal letter.

Please amend the claims as set forth beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this Amendment.

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